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Referred to the Committee on Resources

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## AN ACT

To provide for the expeditious completion of the acquisition of land owned by the State of Wyoming within the boundaries of Grand Teton National Park, and for other purposes.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Grand Teton National  
5       Park Land Exchange Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

2 As used in this Act:

3 (1) The term “Federal lands” means public  
4 lands as defined in section 103(e) of the Federal  
5 Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43  
6 U.S.C. 1702(e)).

7 (2) The term “Governor” means the Governor  
8 of the State of Wyoming.

9 (3) The term “Secretary” means the Secretary  
10 of the Interior.

11 (4) The term “State lands” means lands and  
12 interest in lands owned by the State of Wyoming  
13 within the boundaries of Grand Teton National Park  
14 as identified on a map titled “Private, State &  
15 County Inholdings Grand Teton National Park”,  
16 dated March 2001, and numbered GTNP/0001.

17 **SEC. 3. ACQUISITION OF STATE LANDS.**

18 (a) The Secretary is authorized to acquire approxi-  
19 mately 1,406 acres of State lands within the exterior  
20 boundaries of Grand Teton National Park, as generally  
21 depicted on the map referenced in section 2(4), by any  
22 one or a combination of the following—

23 (1) donation;

24 (2) purchase with donated or appropriated  
25 funds; or

1           (3) exchange of Federal lands in the State of  
2       Wyoming that are identified for disposal under ap-  
3       proved land use plans in effect on the date of enact-  
4       ment of this Act under section 202 of the Federal  
5       Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43  
6       U.S.C. 1712) that are of equal value to the State  
7       lands acquired in the exchange.

8       (b) In the event that the Secretary or the Governor  
9       determines that the Federal lands eligible for exchange  
10      under subsection (a)(3) are not sufficient or acceptable for  
11      the acquisition of all the State lands identified in section  
12      2(4), the Secretary shall identify other Federal lands or  
13      interests therein in the State of Wyoming for possible ex-  
14      change and shall identify such lands or interests together  
15      with their estimated value in a report to the Committee  
16      on Energy and Natural Resources of the United States  
17      Senate and the Committee on Resources of the House of  
18      Representatives. Such lands or interests shall not be avail-  
19      able for exchange unless authorized by an Act of Congress  
20      enacted after the date of submission of the report.

21   **SEC. 4. VALUATION OF STATE AND FEDERAL INTERESTS.**

22       (a) AGREEMENT ON APPRAISER.—If the Secretary  
23      and the Governor are unable to agree on the value of any  
24      Federal lands eligible for exchange under section 3(a)(3)  
25      or State lands, then the Secretary and the Governor may

1 select a qualified appraiser to conduct an appraisal of  
2 those lands. The purchase or exchange under section 3(a)  
3 shall be conducted based on the values determined by the  
4 appraisal.

5 (b) NO AGREEMENT ON APPRAISER.—If the Sec-  
6 retary and the Governor are unable to agree on the selec-  
7 tion of a qualified appraiser under subsection (a), then  
8 the Secretary and the Governor shall each designate a  
9 qualified appraiser. The two designated appraisers shall  
10 select a qualified third appraiser to conduct the appraisal  
11 with the advice and assistance of the two designated ap-  
12 praisers. The purchase or exchange under section 3(a)  
13 shall be conducted based on the values determined by the  
14 appraisal.

15 (c) APPRAISAL COSTS.—The Secretary and the State  
16 of Wyoming shall each pay one-half of the appraisal costs  
17 under subsections (a) and (b).

18 **SEC. 5. ADMINISTRATION OF STATE LANDS ACQUIRED BY**  
19 **THE UNITED STATES.**

20 The State lands conveyed to the United States under  
21 section 3(a) shall become part of Grand Teton National  
22 Park. The Secretary shall manage such lands under the  
23 Act of August 25, 1916 (commonly know as the “National  
24 Park Service Organic Act”), and other laws, rules, and  
25 regulations applicable to Grand Teton National Park.

1 **SEC. 6. AUTHORIZATION FOR APPROPRIATIONS.**

2       There are authorized to be appropriated such sums  
3 as may be necessary for the purposes of this Act.

Passed the Senate April 3, 2003.

Attest:                   EMILY J. REYNOLDS,  
*Secretary.*